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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Berry Thomas W Issuer Symbol PROVIDENT FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES INC [PFS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 830 BERGEN AVENUE 01/29/2008 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306-4599 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Execution Date, if Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Beneficial (D) or any

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price

Common 01/29/2008 P 1,000 12,000 D A Stock 12.67

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivati Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ive of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)]
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 12.54	01/29/2008		A	8,000 (1)		01/29/2009	01/29/2018	Common Stock	8,000 (1)	
Stock Options	\$ 17.94						01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Common Stock	7,000 (2)	
Stock Options	\$ 18.55						02/22/2007	02/22/2016	Common Stock	7,000 (3)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Berry Thomas W 830 BERGEN AVENUE JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306-4599	X						

Signatures

/s/ John F. Kuntz, pursuant to power of attorney

01/30/2008 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending on January 29, 2013.
- (2) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending on January 29, 2012.
- (3) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending on February 22, 2011.

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